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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

Christopher B. HEWETT

Application No.: 09/883,893

For: TISSUE DISPENSER

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Examiner: Michael E. Butler

Confirmation No.: 2534

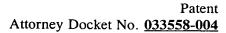
AMENDMENT

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In response to the Official Action dated December 16, 2002, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

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| Enc | losed is a reply for the above-identified p | atent | application. | GROUP 360 | | | |
| [[| A Petition for Extension of Time is als | o en | closed. | OI 10 0 | | | |
| [] | A Terminal Disclaimer and the [] \$55 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed. | .00 (2 | 2814) [] \$110.00 (181 | 4) fee due under 37 | | | |
| [] | Also enclosed is/are | | | ··································· | | | |
| [] | [] Small entity status is hereby claimed. | | | | | | |
| [] |] Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [] \$375.00 (2801) [] \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). | | | | | | |
| | [] Applicant(s) previously submitted requested. | | on, for which co | ntinued examination is | | | |
| [] | Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed. | | | | | | |
| [] | A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed. | | | | | | |
| [•] | No additional claim fee is required. | | | | | | |
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| Total Claims 27 | | MINUS 31 = | | × \$18.00 (1202) = | | |
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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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